Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes one new figure, Fig. 3. Fig. 3 is added to illustrate one geometrically configuring example, that would be obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art from the specification of the present application, more particularly, paragraph [00025]. A person of ordinary skill in the art would also be familiar with prior art, e.g. USP Nos. 6585714 and 6874522, which illustrate that mistake-proof and foolproof geometrically configured connections are well known in the art. Applicant makes no claim to the details of the specific geometrical configuration of the mountings shown in Fig. 3; they are merely illustrative of the disclosure in the specification, and there are numerous possibilities that would be apparent to one skilled in the relevant art from the specific disclosure of the present invention as set forth in the specification.

Attachment:

Proposed Sheet of Fig. 3

REMARKS

As an initial matter, Applicant appreciates the courtesies extended to his representatives, Martin Fleit, by the Examiner during a telephone interview conducted July 14, 2005. These amendments and remarks presented herein reflect those discussed during the interview, and Applicant respectfully submits that this Response satisfies the requirements of MPEP §713.04.

The objection to proposed drawings Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 is duly noted and these figures are withdrawn. A new Fig. 3 is proposed that illustrates the subject matter claimed in claim 19. Any claim to the rubbing device has been cancelled. A formal new sheet of drawing will be submitted upon approval of the proposal. No new matter has been added to the application.

The amendment to the claims is to put the claims in better form and to recite the invention more particularly and to distinctly point out what applicant believes is his invention. The claims previously in the application have been cancelled in favor of claims 19 to 24, a reduction in number, in an effort to advance this case to issue.

New claim 19 is as follows:

Claim 19. (new) In an_apparatus for supplying a car wash installation with chemical additives which are admixed with the wash water, wherein at least one additive is poured into a cartridge in highly concentrated form, an associated holding device of the car wash for receiving the cartridge, wherein the additive of the cartridge can be removed continuously, according to need, the improvement wherein a plurality of cartridges containing different mutually exclusive contents are provided, each containing a different additive in a highly concentrated form, a common holding and dispensing container for all cartridges, said common holding and dispensing container having a plurality of receiving ports for receiving the plurality of cartridges, each receiving port receiving a selected cartridge, said common holding and dispensing container and each received cartridge being shaped geometrically distinctive from the shape and geometry of the common holding and dispensing container and each other received cartridge to produce a plurality of mutually exclusive mistake-proof mountings for detachably coupling the cartridges with the associated receiving ports on the

common holding and dispensing container so that a mix-up of the contents of the plurality of cartridges can be reliably ruled out.

The thrust of the invention as expressed in claim 19 is to be certain that the correct materials are being fed to the right dispensers. Since the materials are contained in cartridges, it is important to be sure that no mistakes are made. This end is achieved by the invention, by

> "said common holding and dispensing container and each received cartridge being shaped geometrically distinctive from the shape and geometry of the common holding and dispensing container and each other received cartridge to produce a plurality of mutually exclusive mistake-proof mountings for detachably coupling the cartridges with the associated receiving ports on the common holding and dispensing container so that a mix-up of the contents of the plurality of cartridges can be reliably ruled out."

The support for Claim 19 is found in the specification and in particularly in paragraph [00025].

The improvement combination recited by claim 19 and, in particular, the quoted claimed limitation of the present invention, are totally absent from the prior art cited of record. The two references applied, Hickman Pat. No. 3587807 and Ferre et al Pat. No. 5033489 only show car wash set ups that do not address the problem dealt with in the present application. This fact is evident from the brief comment regarding these references in the Official action. The remaining claims 20 to 24 are dependent on claim 19 and contain all the limitations recited in claim 19; for that reason, they also express patentable subject matter.

In light of the foregoing, this application should be in condition for allowance, and early passage of this case to issue is respectfully requested. If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time, time sufficient, to effect a timely response, and shortages in this or other fees, be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Deposit Account of the undersigned, Account No. 500601 (Docket no. 7400-X03-047)

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